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L. G. DANSIE, C.R.S.I., M.R.S.I.

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1955.

To the Chairman and Members of Flaxton Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my privilege again to submit my Annual Report on the health of the district during the year.

Tables are set out in the following pages giving statistical information relating to the past Five years.

Although the Rural District can not be described as small in the usual sense of the word, indeed it is larger than a number of Boroughs and larger than the smallest County, nevertheless owing to small numbers certain of the rates are subject to considerable fluctuation from year to year.

Taking the figures generally it can be said that Flaxton Rural District enjoys a higher standard of health than does the country as a whole.

The year showed a remarkable absence of measles, only one case being notified, and this disease appears to be settling down in this district to a distinct two year cycle. Diphtheria has now disappeared from our table, the last case being in 1951. The figures for the whole country are even more impressive, 3,575 cases notified in 1948 are now reduced to 51 cases in 1956. The campaign for maintaining a high percentage of children immunised against diphtheria has paid rich dividends and there must be no relaxation in our efforts to maintain this happy state of affairs.

Whooping cough vaccination combined with diphtheria vaccination commenced in 1952 in this area, and again the figures are satisfying. The average number of cases per year in the Four years prior to this was 103, in the four years since it has been 26.

1956 will be remembered as the year in which the manufacture of a vaccine against policyclitis commenced and was made available to children born between 1947 and 1954. Children had to be registered for this some time before the vaccine was made available. It is a measure of the wisdom of our populace to record that no less than 63.3% of those children of school age were registered and 49.5% of pre-school children were "signed up". All these children are now vaccinated at the time of writing. As far as I know no untoward effects were produced. No case of policy was notified during the year.

There was an outbreak of nausea and vomiting in one of our schools in September effecting 21 children. Although school milk could not with certainty be incriminated, it was highly suspect, having an unduly high bacteriological count (more than 300 million per C. C.)

For a Rural District the area is well provided with water and sewerage, although the rapid increase in housing, both by private enterprise and by the Council hascled to some difficulty in coping with efficient treatment of sewage in all cases.

I would like to thank all those employees of both District and County Councils working in the area who co-operate so well in ensuring that the services provided in the field of health, work so smoothly and, I believe, well.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant.

H. GRAY, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health.

VITAL STATISTICS

	Population	on of the Rura	l District	22,124	
LIVE BIRTHS	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL	CRUDE RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION
1952 Legitimate Illegitimate	141 7	129 9	270 16	286	14.56
1953 Legitimate Illegitimate	1 45 8	132 5	277 13	290	14.91
1954 Legitimate Illegitimate.	159 5	13 6 5	295 1 0	305	15.00
1955 Legitimate Illegitimate	165 3	131 4	296 7	303	14.53
1956 Legitimate Illegitimate	188 1•	15 5 6.	343 7	350	15.90
STILL BIRTHS	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL	RATE PER 1,000 total births
1952 Legitimate Illegitimate	5•	1	6 1	7	23.89
1953 Legitimate Illegitimate	1 .	3	4	4	13.60
1954 Legitimate Illegitimate	5	2	7	7	22.44
1955 Legitimate Illegitimate	4	3	7	7	22.58
1956 Legitimate Illegitimate	4	4	8 1	9	- 25 . 06
DEATHS.	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL		PER 1,000 OF MATED POPULATION
1952 1953 1954 1955 1956	85 114 128 108 151	90 129 158 139	175 243 286 247 282		8.91 12.49 14.06 11.84 12.82
MATERNAL MORTALITY.					
1952	NIL NIL Maternal causes Rate per 1,000)		
1956	NIL				
INFANT MORTALITY (Death	s of infants und 1952	ler One Year) 1953	1954	1955	1956
All infants per 1.000 Live Births	27•97	17.24	36.06	23.1	20•0
Legitimate Infants per 1.000 Live Legitimate Births.	29.63	14.44	33.90	40•54	17.20
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 Live Illegitimate Births	NIL	7 6 . 92	100.00	NI L	142.86
TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RAT	ES:				
BIRTH RATE	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
England and Wales Flaxton R.D.	15.30 14.56	15•50 14•91	15•20 16•35	15.00 15.83	15• 7 16•54
DEATH RATE					
England and Wales Flaxton R.D.	11.30 8.91	11.40 12.49	11.30 14.78	11.70 12.43	11 .7 0 9•49
MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE					
England and Wales Flaxton R.D.	NIL	0.76 NIL	0.69 3.20	0.64 NIL	0•56 NIL
INFANT MORTALITY RATE England and Wales	27.60	26.80	25•50	24 .7 0	23•8
Flaxton R.D.	27.97	17.24	36.06	23.1	20.0.

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1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory.	2	1	1	3	1	2	3	2	3	-
2.	Tuberculosis, other	-	-	1	1	1	**	-	-	-	-
3•	Syphilitic diseases	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	~	1
4.	Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	•
5•	Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	-
6.	Meningococcal infections	-	-	-	-	1	-	_	-	-	-
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.	Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**	-	
9.	Other infective and par. diseases	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
10.	Malignant neoplasm - stomach	2	2	5	2	3	4	2	3	2	1
11.	n - lung, bronchus	2	2	2	-	3	1	5	-	5	1
12.	# - breast	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	4	-	4
13.	" - uterus	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	2
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic	-	4-7	47	8	17	7	6	6	7	6
4.5	neoplasms.	7	13	13	_	13	7		1		_
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	1	_		1		2		1	_
16.	Diabetes	•	-	1	2	-	2		1	2	2
17.	Vascular lesions of the nervous system	10	15	8	14	15	17	6	19	21	21
18.	Coronary diseases, angina	18	7	21	10	18	13	21	14	20	7
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	1	3	9	10	8	5	6	6	10	7
20.	Other heart disease	17	12	18	40	25	53	26	52	32	43
21.	Other circulatory diseases	4	5	5	8	8	14	6	2	9	7
22.	Influenza		1	2	2	-	-	-	1	2	3
23.	Pneumonia	1	4	6	3	5	6	1	5	3	1
5/10	Bronchitis	4	-	8	5	3	3	8	3	8	1
25•	Other diseases of the respiratory system	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	1	-
26.	Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum	1	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	3	1
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	2	3	-	-	5	2	-	1	2	4
29•	Hyperplasia of prostate	2	-	2	-	2	-	2	-	1	-
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
31.	Congenital malformations.	-	1	-	2	1	4	1	-	1	2
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	6	9	7	13	7	11	6	10	9	13
33•	Motor vehicle accidents.	2	3	1	-	3	1	1	1	3	1
34.	All other accidents.	1	2	2	4	-	6	2	3	5	2
35•	Suicide	-	2	1	-	2	1	-	2	1	-
36.	Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	85	90	114	129	128	158	108	139	151	131
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GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Many of the Health Services carried out by the County Council as Local Health Authority are administered by the Area Health Sub-Committee which meets monthly at Easingwold. The Flaxton $R \cdot D \cdot C \cdot I$ is represented on this body.

PUBLIC H EALTH OFFICERS

Details of Officers are listed at the beginning of the Report.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

Bacteriological and chemical examinations of milk, water and effluents are carried out for the Council by the County Public Health Laboratory, Messrs. T. Fairley & Partners of Leeds, and the Laboratory of the Rivers Board at Wakefield.

AMBULANCE

The Ambulance Station serving the area is situate at Haxby. or night - YORK 68181

Telephone number - day

DISTRICT NURSES

A District Nursing Service covers the area and the Nurses and the districts they cover are as follows:-

Clifton Without & Rawcliffe

Nurse Southam, 26 Melton Avenue, Clifton, York.

Telephone: York 54714

Haxby, Wigginton & Skelton

Nurse Lockhart, 123 Calf Close, Haxby, York.

Telephone: York 68521

Huntington, Earswick & New Earswick

Nurse Atkinson, 1 Rowan Place, New Earswick, York.

Telephone: York 68280

and

Nurse Vale, 132 North Moor, Huntington, York.

Telephone: York 68194

Buttercrambe, Bossall, Claxton, Harton, Heworth, Holtby, Gate Helmsley, Upper Helmsley, Osbaldwick, Sand Hutton, Stockton-on-Forest and Warthill.

Nurse Brown, 17 Galtres Road, Stockton Lane, Heworth, York. Telephone: York 53449

Flaxton, Strensall, Towthorpe & Lilling.

Nurse Henderson, Armordale, Station Road, Flaxton.

Telephone: Flaxton Moor 265

DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE

A comprehensive Domestic Help Service is in operation throughout the area, and arrangements for assistance can be made through the County Area Health Office, Manor Road, Easingwold. Telephone 851324

Applicants for Domestic Help are informed that a standard hourly charge is in force, but they are all offered the opportunity of being assessed according to financial circumstances. The charges paid vary from the maximum of 3/- per hour down to the minimum charge of 3/- per week. Assistance can be provided for up to 44 hours in any week, but the number of hours granted is dependent on the circumstances of each individual case.

Priority is given to the provision of help in cases of domiciliary confinement, and cases of this nature normally continue for two weeks.

In the Flaxton area there is considerable demand for assistance to cases of aged and chronic sick persons and these cases are usually of long duration.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

The whole area is served by either static clinics in the major parishes or by attendance of the Mobile Clinic.

The County Council continues to be responsible for the distribution of Welfare Foods and much of the structure of the Ministry of Food is abolished.

By utilising voluntary helpers at these clinics and by the very welcome co-operation of several tradesmen in the area, the efficient supply of these foods has been maintained at very little cost to the ratepayer.

MATERNITY HOSPITALS

Admissions are arranged by a person's own doctor. Health Services Centre, Duncombe Place, York.

Booking clinics are held at the

Admission on social grounds, e.g. unsatisfactory housing conditions, is made following an enquiry and report by me.

TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC

A clinic is held at 11 castlegate, $\gamma_0 r k_*$ on the second and fourth Thursdays in each month at 10 $a_* m_*$

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The state of the s	Food Poisoning	Meningococcal Infection	Diphtheria	Whooping Cough	Measles	Encephalitis lethargica	Acute Poliomyelitis	Maleria	Dysentery	Ophthalmia neonatorum	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Erysipelas	Pneumonia	Puerperal Fever.	Enteric Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Smallpox	DISEASE	
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COMPARATIVE INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Smallpox		_	_		-
Scarlet Fever	30	32	23	34	11
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fever	-		-	****	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	1	-	-	-
Pneumonia	5	8	5	3	6
Erysipelas	1	4	1	3	-
Cere-spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	**
Ophthalmia neonatorum	-	1	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	1	5	8	1
Malaria	-	3	1	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	8	5	2	2	-
Encephalitis lethargica	-	-	1	-	•
Measles	362	177	7	266	1
Whooping Cough	124	56	12	6	31

TUBERCULOSIS

		New Ca	ses			Deat	ths	
Age Period			Non-				Non-	
	Respira M	F	Respira M	F	Respire M	F	Respira M	cory F
Under 1 year	1-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 5 years	1	-	-	-	-	•	•	-
5 to 15 years	-	1	•	-	-	-	-	-
15 to 25 years	-	1	1	1	-	-	•	-
25 to 35 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 to 45 years	2%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 to 55 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 to 65 years :	1+	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
65 years and apwards	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	•
Age unknown	1	-	-	••	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	8	4	2	1	-	•	-	-

- Patients in Clifton Hospital not resident in the area
 Patients in Clifton Hospital resident in area.

INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases

7	TEA R					Respira- tory.	Non-respir atory	Total	Respira- tory	Non-respir atory	Total
1952	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	17	3	20	2	-	2
1953	•••	•••	•••	• • •	•••	9	5	14	5	1	6
1954	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	6	1	7	6	-	6
1955	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	11	5	15	5	-	5
1956	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	12	3	15	3	-	3

REPORT OF THE

SURVEY R AND CHIEF FUNLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR 1956 _

To the Chairman and Members of the Flaxton Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I again have the honour to submit to you a further report upon the work of this department, in this instance for the year 1956.

I regret that this report has been held up for such a long period due to the extremely difficult staffing conditions with which the department has been faced during the last twelve months, and it is for this reason that the report, although now being made available, will be summarised as far as ever possible, with possibly some further comment in the 1957 report.

There has been continued progress in connection with sewage disposal during the year, and the Council have had under Consideration at some length, action required to deal with the problem of overloading of sewage disposal plants due to the extraordinarily rapid rate of building taking place in the area. Many difficulties arise in what would on first consideration appear to be a simple matter of extending existing plants: and unexpected opposition to certain proposals, consideration of alternatives, the preparation of schemes and not least the obtaining of consent and approval and the clearing of financial implications can result, as is the case in the area at the moment, in building where it is rapid and extensive overtaking the facilities available.

The Council have considered during the year the problem that arises from the discharge of farm drainage into the new sewerage schemes of the Council and whilst the Council have left this matter open it is very clearly established that farm drainage is a particularly strong sewage; that most authorities are considering this to be trade waste and which, if the authority are satisfied will interfere with their treatment of the domestic sewage, they can properly refuse to receive.

It must be remembered that schemes in the area are all designed for domestic sewage of normal strength and to receive farm drainage, (which I personally feel is very desirable to have into the sewers if continued pollution of watercourses is to be avoided) may lead to additional expenditure on works' extensions or additional treatment plant which might well be appreciably heavy.

The problem of staff continues to be one of very real difficulty and hardship.

Repeated changes of staff which take place for a variety of reasons and the near impossibility of obtaining anyone with knowledge or experience of the work has at times made continuance near nigh impossible. Staff changes and replacement, whilst looked upon in these days by most bodies as something to be expected, is really basically a very serious problem indeed.

I would again like to thank the Chairman of the Council, and the Members of the Council, for their tolerance during the year and for their helpfulness and co-operation without which it is quite true to say the work of the department could not possibly function, either efficiently or even sensibly. I would like also to express to the Council my appreciation of the work of the staff of all departments for their co-operation and assistance, but particularly the staff of my own department despite the many changes, for their sustained efforts despite many difficulties to achieve some semblance of efficiency and for in general their enthusiasm for the many tasks and duties which fall upon them. I would include in this observation the members of the staff who have left the Council's service during the year as well as those present, and there has been ample evidence from those members who have gone of their enjoyment of the work and the conditions under which it was carried out.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

L. PARKER.

Surveyor & Chief Sanitary Inspector.

GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE AREA, 1956.

TABLE NO. 1.

	No• o f Houses	Estimated Population	Acreage
Bossall-with-Buttercrambe	40	128	2,691
Claxton	57	182	838
Clifton Without	1,004	3,263	9 7 2
Earswick	80	256	1,111
Flaxton	102	326	1,865
Gate Helmsley	67	218	497
Harton	28	90	2,004
Haxby	752	2,444	2,206
Heworth Without	219	711	854
Holtby	31	99	901
Huntington	1,234	4,011	1,850
Lilling	51	163	1,769
Murton	116	371	844
New Earswick	699	2,237	784
Osbaldwick	617	2,005	645
Rawcliffe	333	1,082	7 85
Sand Hutton	48	154	2,242
Skelton	235	764	2,428
Stockton on Forest	240	780	3,268
Strensall	374	1,197	2,909
Camp	169	921	
Towthorpe	36	115	1,075
Upper Helmsley	12	38	833
Warthill	52	166	1,004
Wigginton	124	403	1,880
TOTALS	6,720	22,124	36,254

TABLE NO. 2.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PERSONS PER DWELLINGHOUSE

1901	Census	•••	•••	• • •	•••	•••	•••	• • •	•••	4.70	average	of	persons	per	house	
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WATER SUPPLIES.

I have little to comment upon under this heading other than to say that there are very few even isolated properties without water supply. There have been some further connections to mains as will be shown by the tables, and there is an increase in the percentage of occupied properties enjoying a piped supply of water.

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	YORK WATERWORKS CO.	DIRECT TO HOUSE	POP.	2,255 2,441 1,011 1,075	20,332
		DIRECT	HOUSES	1,004 1,004 1,234	6,161
TOTAL	ATION.			826.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.25.	22,124
TOTAL	HOUSES			34.00.1 38.00.2 38.	6,720
PARISH				Bossell with Buttercrambe claxton clifton Without Earswick Flaxton. Gate Helmsley Harton Harton Harton Habby. Huntington Lilling Murton New Earswick Osbaldwick Sand Hutton Stockton on Stelton. Stockton on Forest Strensall Camp Towthorpe Upper Helmsley Wartill Wigginton	

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

I wish to keep my comments as brief as possible in this report in view of the lateness of its issue.

I have made some brief comments under this heading in my preliminary remarks. I would only add that during the year a system of sewerage, and sewage disposal plant, was completed in the parishes of Holtby and Harton, thereby reducing the margin of properties within your Council's area not provided with proper sewerage and sewage disposal facilities.

There were very serious complaints about the pollution of an open watercourse in New Earswick during the year which caused some diffuculty by the many visits which were made without any smell being observable, even when the watercourse was disturbed and agitated. It was ultimately however established that a very offensive smell was at certain times noticeable and although there is no doubt in my mind that an appreciable amount of smell arose from leaking gas mains adjoining the watercourse, there was a layer of sludge on the bed which no doubt was giving off under certain conditions an offensive odour. The beck was swept throughout its length and the sludge decanted and discharged into sludge lagcons, and no complaints have since been received.

It did result in further consideration being given to the overloading of the small estate sewage disposal plant, originally a private estate works later taken over by the Council to ensume reasonable maintenance, and a resolution that this small plant be dispensed with in view of its deteriorating structural condition and its replacement by a new pumping station discharging into the main Haxby sewerage scheme.

SCHEDULE OF SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SCHEMES IN THE AREA.

Parishes served.	Length of Sewer Yards	Year of Installation	Outfall.
Strensall. Clifton Without	2,870 810	1919 1927/1930 1932	Council's works at Strensall York sewers
Rawcliffe Earswick Huntington Haxby	580 695 4 ,7 60 4 , 950	1935 1937 1937 1937	York sewers Council's works at Haxby. Council's works at Haxby. Council's works at Haxby.
Wigginton Osbaldwick & Murton. Rawcliffe	770 3,710 2,650	1937 1937 1938	Council's works at Haxby. Council's works at Osbaldwick Council's works at Raweliffe
Skelton. S, Back Lane, Haxby Huntington Road Skelton ext.	1,270 1,580 200 460	1938 1938 1938 1938	Council's works at Raweliffe Council's works at Haxby Council's works at Haxby Council's works at Raweliffe
Mill Lane, Wigginton Claxton. Stockton on Forest)	850 376 836 282	1951 1952 1953	Council's works at Haxby Council's works at Claxton Council's works at Stockton
Hopgrove) Flaxton Gate Helmsley	282 1,825 2,368	1953 1954	on Forest. Council's works at Flaxton Council's works at Gate Helmsley
Warthill Buttercrambe Holtby Harton	637 70 414 1,027	1955 1955 1956 1956	Council's works at Warthill Council's works at Buttercrambe Council's works at Holtby Council's works at Harton

DETAILS OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS & PUMPING STATIONS

DISPOSAL WORKS

Area of Land Number and size of filter beds Strensall 3 2 x 27' x 22' 1 x 10,000 gallons				A
Haxby (Wigginton, Earswick & Huntington Osbaldwick (Murton) Raweliffe (Skelton) Claxton Claxton Caltres (Heworth) Park Avenue (New Earswick part) Hilbra (Haxby Part) Bean's (Heworth) Stockton Claxton Claxton Claxton Caltres (Heworth) And the park is the part is the par	Situation.			
	Haxby (Wigginton, Earswick& Hunting Osbaldwick (Murton) Rawcliffe (Skelton) Claxton Galtres (Heworth) Park Avenue (New Earswick part) Hilbra (Haxby Part) Bean's (Heworth) Stockton. Flaxton Gate Helmsley Warthill New Earswick Holtby Harton	34 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4 x 51' dia. 1 x 51' dia. 2 x 60' dia. 1 x 29' dia. 1 x 29' dia. 1 x 25' dia. 1 x 25' dia. 1 x 9'6" dia. 2 x 32' dia. 1 x 34' dia. 2 x 39' dia. 1 x 20' dia. 1 x 18' dia. 1 x 20' dia.	4 x 16,000 gallons. 2 x 9,000 gallons 2 x 25,000gallons. 1 x 2,250 gallons. 1 x 4,000 gallons 2 x 3,000 gallons 2 x 1,000 gallons 2 x 7,500 gallons 2 x 7,500 gallons 2 x 7,500 gallons 2 x 7,500 gallons 2 x 1,000 gallons 2 x 1,000 gallons 2 x 1,000 gallons 3 x 1,000 gallons 4 x 1,000 gallons 5 x 1,000 gallons 6 x 1,000 gallons 7 x 1,000 gallons

Initial Letter	Situation	Horse Power of Pumps.	Size of Pumps	Output - in gallons per minute
A B C E F G H K L M	Landing Lane Westfield Lane Park Estate Mill Hill Earswick Meadowlields Osbaldwick Fairfield Rawcliffe Lodge Mental Hospital Rawcliffe Lane Beans Park Avenue Hilbra Avenue Stockton Hopgrove Lane Warthill Strensall Holtby	3	4n 3n 3n 5n 3n 4n 4n 3n 4n 3n 2n 3n 2n 3n 2n 3n 2n 3n gallon Ejector 3n gallon Ejector	200 100 60 400 50 250 350 120 280 100 120 60 50 75

SEWAGE

METHODS OF DISPOSAL - PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

Properties connected to proper sewerage and sewage di	isposal	plants:
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PROPERTIES SERVED BY SCHEMES OF SEWERAGE

Par i sh	Total Houses	Houses served		Outfall of	properties o	onnecte	i
· ·	nouses	by Scheme	Council's sewers and disposal works	City Sewers	,	Old Sewers	Cess- pools etc.
Bossall with Butter- crambe Claxton Clifton Without Earswick Flaxton Gate Helmsley Harton Haxby Heworth Without Holtby Huntington Lilling Murton New Earswick Osbaldwick Rawcliffe Sand Hutton Skelton Stockton on Forest Strensall Camp Towthorpe Upper Helmsley Warthill Wigginton	40 57 1,004 80 102 67 28 752 219 31 1,234 51 116 699 617 3333 48 235 240 374 169 36 12 52	7 50 1,004 64 83 67 25 724 178 15 1,227 51 77 692 593 313 218 140 358	7 27 16 57 50 37 4 666 555 2 1,196 77 75 443 147 218 116 361	980 126 136 170	617	18 5 13 28 18 19 11 3 18 - 40 28 - 17	33 12 8 18 39 2 6 6 6 7 38 18 35 33 39 7 36 8 17 96 13 36 18 17 96 13 46
TOTALS	6,720	5,989	3,641	1,412	786	218	663

PUBLIC CLEANSING

I have no comment to make under this heading other than to say that a weekly service is still maintained, but only with the very greatest difficulty in view of the rapidly increasing number of properties, and only in consequence of very considerable overtime working, the increasing number of properties interfering as it does with the schedules of collections which have to be so meticulously calculated to ensure time and day being known to enable the bins to be placed at the gate, which is a part of our present collecting system.

I think it could quite safely be said that no other local authority can surpass the number of houses being collected by the vehicles and loaders employed on this work by this authority, but the capacity of the vehicles and the teams is continually being stretched and approaching nearer and nearer to the breakdown point.

The decision of the Council to purchase a larger capacity vehicle, and continuing this service with only two vehicles, will still be in my view the most economical system of collection, whilst I believe putting it on to a much sounder footing.

REFUSE COLLECTION - WHOLE AREA BY DIRECT LABOUR

Parish or Village	No. of Properties served	Population	Means of Disposal
			Controlled tipping at:
Bossall with Buttercrambe Claxton Clifton Without Earswick Flaxton Gate Helmsley. Harton Haxby Heworth Without. Holtby Huntington Lillings Ambo Murton New Earswick Osbaldwick Rawcliffe Sand Hutton Skelton Stockton on Forest Strensall Towthorpe Upper Helmsley. Warthill Wigginton	28 48 994 72 84 60 24 710 197 18 1,202 42 114 665 499 329 39 202 202 343 33 10 33 101	90 154 3,231 231 269 195 77 2,308 640 57 3,906 134 365 2,218 1,622 1,069 125 656 656 656 1,114 106 32 106 328	Towthorpe # Skelton Towthorpe # # # # # # Skelton Towthorpe Skelton Towthorpe Skelton Towthorpe # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # #
TOTALS	6,049	19,689	l mark of the state of the stat

SALVAGE

Details of the collection of salvage for the last three years are set out below:

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<u>14</u>	Material	Tons	Wei Cwts	ght Qrs	Lbs.	Į.	v.	alue S.	d.
	Woollens Scrap Metal		3 14	2 0	12 0 18	2	5	5 3 3	0 0 8 6
	Bagging Rags Mixed Waste Paper Cardboard Containers	2 9 7 10	19 18 7	1 2	0 0	7: 64: 9:	0 .	7 19 5	6 10 3
	Bundles of rags Kitchen Waste (Estimated)	56	0	0	0	13	3	10	.03
	TOTAL	168	3	0	2	969	9	1 0 .	6

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Material	/Dom a	-	ght	The		Valu	
	Tons	Cwts	Qrs	Lbs	£	S•	d•
Woollens	•	2	0	8	14	18	0
Ragss	2 81.	19	2	0	74	15 18	8
Mixed Waste Paper		14	,	_	693	10	6
Cardboard	16	17	0	0	163	0	0
Bundles of rags		7	0	0	17	10	0
Mixed Scrap Iron		91.	0	0	13	10	0
Cast Iron Scrap		14	_	_	0		0
Cast Iron	1	1	0	0	6	6	0
Kitchen Waste (Estimated)	45	0	0	0	114	18	7_
TOTAL	152	10	3	9	1,091	4	1

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Material			Wei	ght			Valu	ie .
		Tons	Cwts	Qrs	Lbs	£	S.	d.
Woollens Rags Mixed Waste Paper Cardboard		1 38	1 5 5 15	2 1 1 0	2 0 0	10 34 293 42	19 14 5 15	10 6 10 0
	Loads Bins	1 1	13 10	0	0	11 8 7 101	0 5 10 13	0 0 0 9
TOTAL		47	10	0	2	510	3	11

FOOD SALVAGE

Parish	No. of bins distributed				
	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Clifton Without/Rawcliffe	28	27	27	22	20
Haxby	12	12	11	11	8
Huntington	5	3	-	•	-
New Earswick	31	31	31	_	**

TOTALS	7 6	73	69	33	28
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FACTORIES ACT, 1937

The tables required by the Ministry of Labour are set out below:

FACTORIES

Bakeries Breweries Brick making. Caravan construction. Clothing manufacturers. Concrete block making. Engineering works. Firewood - sawmills. Furniture manufacturers. Joinery. Motor vehicle repairs. Scientific instruments. Tanneries Letter Press Printing. Laundry.	Grease and Dripping Extraction 2 Agricultural Engineers
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Outworkers 5	

INSPECTIONS FOR PURPOSES OF PROVISIONS AS TO HEALTH

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Notices	Prosecutions
(i) Factories in which Sec. 1 2, 3, 4 and 6 are enforced by the Local Authority	3	48	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) above in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	50	55	1	_
(111) Other premises in which Sec. / is enforced by the Local Authority	-		-	-

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

COMPLAINTS

Number of general complaints received	89
Number of general complaints investigated	89
Number where action taken	78
Number where no action taken	11
Number of Council house compaints received	886
Number of Council house complaints investigated	886
Number where action taken	636
Number where no action taken	50
Number of complaints received under the Prevention of Damage	50
by Pests Act	57
Number investigated	57
Number where action taken	
	57
Number where no action taken	_

TABLE OF NOTICES SERVED	Informal	Statutory
Notices served under the:		
Public Health Act, 1936	58	-
Housing Act, 1936	13	66
Food & Drugs Act, 1938	2	-
Pests Act, 1949	5 7	
Water Act, 1945	10	-

TABULAR STATEMENT OF INSPECTIONS

Ashplaces and Bins Cesspools and sewage tanks. Closets - Water Pail Privies. Complaints. Dairies, Milkshops and Milkstores. Drains - Inspected Tested. Factories. Food Shops - Bakehouses Butchers Shops Fish Shops Grocers Shops.	9 55 17 45 15 234 815 937 103 1 3 6
Ice CreamSlaughterhousesOther Food Shops	20 7
- Food Inspections	2 2
- Meat Inspections	1,777 79 180
Infectious disease investigation	25 11 559
Nuisances found	35 48
Rats and Mice Destruction	14 25 2 8

TABULAR STATEMENT OF INSTECTIONS (Cont.).

Samples - Water Effluent. Schools. Streets, Reads, Courts. Tips Temporary dwellings and caravans. Verminous premises. Wells Water supplies Workshops and workplaces. Buildings - in course of erection Sites Special visits Foundations Complated Houses Other Contravention of building byelaws. Dangerous structures. Land Surveys. Sewage disposal and sewerage works Sewers Temporary buildings. Council House property. Petrol stores. Refuse collection and salvage. Street naming and numbering. Housing case investigation. Improvement grants. Housing Repairs & Rent Act. Street Lightings. Smoke Observations. Allotments.	23 8 3 2 11 23 2 5 23 30 1,993 183 346 25 156 2 409 34 121 25 36 25 30 41 20 41 25 36 46 46 47 47 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48
Footpaths and Rights of way TOTAL	12,019

HOUSING

I do not propose to comment to any extent upon the year's work under this heading other than to say that the number of new houses erected and completed by the Council during the year is very small indeed, no doubt due to the fact that the Council felt a little uneasy as to the possibility of over building and having houses vacant, resulting in a slowing down of the programme and reluctance on the part of the Council to purchase any new sites for further building; perhaps, it might be said, with justification in view of the decision of the Ministry at the latter end of the year under review to discontinue subsidy payment on Council housing other than for slum clearance and properties for aged persons.

I do not propose to say much on the question of the slum clearance programme this year, although it has had some rather more intensive consideration during the year. In connection with slum clearance the problems facing the Council have been much alleviated by the fact that throughout their post war building programme the hardship suffered by persons living in unfit houses has consistently been given the same consideration as all other cases for housing, placed before the Council. I think it may suffice for this report to say that the Council's five year programme is progressing reasonably well and I will give fuller information on this in a future report.

Details of the erection of new houses in the area by private enterprise are also set out in the tables which follow.

Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year:

(1)	(a)	Total number of houses inspected for defects under the Public Health & Housing Acts						
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	370					
(2)	(a)	Number of dwellinghouses included in (1) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulation, 1925 to 1932	66					
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	180					
(3)	Number to	er of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous to health as to anfit for human habitation	36					
(4)	Numbe	er of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to in (3) above found to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	177					

2.	Remedy of	defects with service of	formal notices:		
	Number of	dwellinghouses rendered	fit in consequence of inf	ormal action by the	. 40
3.	Action und	er Statutory Powers:			
	(a) Proc	eedings under Sections	9, 10 and 16 of the Housin	g Act, 1936:	
	(1)		es in respect of which not		Nil
	(ii)	Number of houses render	red fit after service of f	ormal notices-	
		(a) By owners	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••••	Nil
	(b) Proc	eedings under the Public	c Health Act, 1936:		
	(i)		es in respect of which not		Nil
	(11)	Number of dwellinghous	es rendered fit after serv	ice of formal notices:	
		(a) By owners	•••••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Nil
		(b) by local authority	y in default of owners	•••••••	Nil
	(c) Proc	eedings under Sections	ll and 13 of the Housing A	ct, 1936:	
	(1)	Number of dwellinghous were made	es in respect of which Dem	olition Orders	28
	(ii)	Number of dwellinghous	es demolished	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	13
	(iii)		ements or underground room		Nil
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		Orders were determine	rooms or tenements in resp	endered fit	Nil
	(V)	given by owners to bri	es in respect of which und ng the properties to a sta using Act	ndard in	23
	(vi)	Number of dwellinghous given by owners not t	es in respect of which und o use premises for human h	ertakings were abitation	8
4.	Housing Ac	t, 1936 - Part ly - Ove	rcrowding:		
	(a) (i)	Number of dwellinghous	es overcrowded at the end	of the year	No.
	(ii)	Number of families dwe	lling therein	••••••	No
	(iii)	Number of persons dwel	ling therein	•••••	Record
	(b)	Number of new cases of	overcrowding reported dur	ing the year	Nil
	(c) (i)	Number of cases of over	rcrowding relieved during	the cyear	17
	(11)	Number of persons conc	erned in such cases		55
	(d)	overcrowded after the	es in which dwellinghouses local authority have take	n steps to abate	,
			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		Nil
	(e)		with respect to overcrowdito report		Nil
HOU	SING ACT, 1	.949			
las			he number of applications : r of cases in which improv		
	Year	No. of Applications Received	No. of Applications Approved	Disapproved, de:	ferred
-	1050			or not proceeded	MICU
	1952 1953	5 6 25 36	3 6	3	
	1954 1955	25 36	24	19 12	
	1956	46	, 30	16	

MOBILE & TEMPORARY DWELLINGS.

The table given below sets out the number of caravans in the area, together with the number removed and brought into the district during the last five years.

Year	No. of Caravans brought into area	of Caravans wed from area	Total Number of Li Caravans in area	
1952 1953 1954 1955 1956	2 2 - 1 3	1 2 - 1	4 4 4 4 7	Bandler pan - House

HOUSE BUILDING

The building programme of the Council during the year ended 1956 is set out below.

Housing Site	Houses under construction on 1.1.56	Houses com- pleted prior to 1.1.56	Further Con- tracts let during 1956	Houses com- pleted during 1956	Houses in course of erection on 31.12.56.
North Moor, Huntington.	-	143	-	-	-
Northfields, Strensall.	-	93	. -	-	-
Calf Close, Haxby		156	- '	-	
Brecks Fields Skelton.	24	110	8	16	22
Stone Riggs, Stockton on Forest.	1 8	40	-	10	14
Green Hills, Claxton	- 1	12	-	-	3
Oaks View, Lilling.	-	2		-	-
Rise Wood, Gate Helmsley	4	8		4	
Stoney Hills, Buttercrambe.	· -	6	-	-	-
The Leyes, Osbaldwick.	· ·	64	-	-	: :
Rarney Cottages, Flaxton.	-	13	-	-	- -
Harton.	- !	4	- .	-	-
Woodlands, Warthill.	: :	4	-		÷
Saxford Way, Wigginton.	6	-	!	6	• 2 i
TOTAL	52	655	8	36	38

HOUSES CONSTRUCTED BY THE COUNCIL - POST WAR

Supervised by own staff	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Tarran temporary houses with 2 bedrooms	50	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Airey permanent houses with 3 bedrooms.	-	8	24	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
Traditional - 3 bedrooms (Circular 92)	-	22	20	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supervised by Architects											
Traditional houses - single bedroom bungalows	s -	-	• -	-	8	10	18	16	28	12	2
- 2 bedroom houses	-	-	-	16	24	14	8	30	20	32	18
- 3 bedroom houses	-	2	68	60	42	16	24	33	11	21	16
- 4 bedroom houses	-		-	•	1	4	1			ET - 2 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10	000
	50	32	112	7 8	7 5	44	51	89	59	65	36

TOTAL RRE-WAR HOUSES - 38
TOTAL POST-WAR HOUSES - 691

GRAND TOTAL TO DATE 729

SUMMARY OF HOUSING APPLICATIONS

	No. of applications on list on lst January.	New applications received during the year	No. of families rehoused	No. on list on 31st December.
1946 1947 1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1954 1955	355 576 340 471 548 647 748 252 267 250	271 194 243 155 174 145 111 117 115 120	50 34 112 78 75 44 51 102 132 100 72	576 736 * 471 548 647 748 808 * 267 250 165 *

* New registration carried out.

DEPOSIT OF PLANS

The following table sets out the plans deposited with the Council under Streets & Duildings Byelaws and dealt with by the Plans Committee during the year.

Plans were deposited for the following buildings:

Dwellinghouses - Local Authority Private	10 405
Alterations and extensions to dwellinghouses	40
Exempted buildings (greenhouses etc.)	18
Factory and business premises	14 11
Miscellaneous (Schools, pavilions, garages etc.)	210
TOTAL	708

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1939	12	5/15	1	253	1955	65	320	•	385
1938	17	205	140	359	1954	59	225	1	284
1937	г	525	170	399	1953	89	12	1	162
1936	1	203	8	293	1952	51	777	7	32
1935	72	224	213	1442	1951	#	20	ı	† ₁₉
1934	1	241	52	293	1950	75	13	ı	E
1933	ı	509	•	209	1949	78	21		66
1932	•	171	275	91/17	1948	112	9	1	118
1931	•	1771	310	1841	1947	32	04	•	72
1930	1	103	92	195	1946	20	61	02	131
PRE-WAR	B y Flaxton R.D.C.	By private individuals and bodles	By other local authorities	TOTALS	POST-WAR	Dy Flaxton R.D.C.	By private individuals and bodies	Dy other local authorities	TOTALS

MILK, MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There have been no outstanding factors worthy of special comment under this heading during the year. The inspection of all carcases has continued throughout the year and the table of condemnations is an indication of the work carried out.

Milk supply is passing more and more into the hands of the large combines with distribution in sealed bottles only, limiting the offences committed and probably reducing the risks of contamination other than in the event of some mishap, failure or neglect in these larger centralised bottling establishments. The compulsory pasteurisation of milk has no doubt resulted in many risks previously taken being avoided.

There are no food premises of any importance in the area, the district being concerned only with a comparatively small number of retail food shops of various types and kinds.

There have been no outbreaks of food poisoning in the area during the year and no other incidents under this heading of any particular importance.

Table of Re	gistration	& Licences :	I ssued
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	1952	1 953	1954	1 955	1956
No. of registered dairies	6	7	7	7	7
No. of retail purveyors	18	17	18	25	24
No. of Licences issued to sell Pasteurised Milk	15	15	16	15	20
No. of Licences issued to sell Sterilised Milk	1	1	2	3	4
No. of Licences issued to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk		13	13	15	16

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Horses	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number Killed	-	329	191	61	700	472
Number Inspected	-	329	191	61	700	472
All diseases except tuberculosis &	cysticerc	1				
Whole carcases condemned	-	27	28	17	34	22
Part carcase or organ condemned	-	45	17	2	8	16
Percentage affected with disease other than tuberculosis & cystic	erci -	21.9%	23.6,	31.2%	6%	8,1%
Tuberculosis Only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	13	20	3	-	6
Part carcase or organ condemned	-	22	18	-	-	11
Percentage affected with tubercula	osis -	10.6/	19.90	4.90	-	3.6%

Table of Food Shops & Premises

No. in Area		Inspections Made
Bakehouses Butchers' Shops Greengrocers & Grocers Canteens & Restaurant Kitchens Fish Shops General Stores	3 8 26 9 6 20	1 3 29 2 6 15

ICE CREAM

The following table shows the number of premises registered for the sale of pre-packed ice cream:

1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	<u>195</u> 6	
17	18	19	25	33	34	



